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PRODUCTS AND METHODS

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box AF

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated January 3, 2001, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116:

## IN THE CLAIMS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, please substitute for claim 18 the following rewritten version of the same claim, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

(a) encodes a full length polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:36;

<sup>5/18. (</sup>Three Times Amended) An isolated, enriched, or purified nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that: